

IN THE CLAIMS:

Claims 1-20 (canceled).

Please enter new claims 21- 31, as follows:

21. (New) A computer implemented method for managing a change to a setting of a computer program of a computer system, said method comprising the steps of:

automatically attempting to change a setting of a computer program, and

if said setting of said computer program is successfully changed, said computer program writing a predetermined return code to a log file,

if said setting of said computer program is not successfully changed, said computer program not writing said return code to said log file, and

in response to the step of automatically attempting to change said setting of said computer program, automatically searching said log file for said return code, and

if said log file contains said return code, automatically sending a notification that said setting of said computer program was successfully changed, and

if said log file does not contain said return code, automatically sending a notification that said setting of said computer program was not successfully changed.

22. (New) A computer implemented method as set forth in claim 21 wherein said setting is a number of messages that can reside on a queue used by said computer program.

23. (New) A computer implemented method as set forth in claim 21 wherein said notification indicating whether said setting of said computer program was successfully changed is sent to an administrator.

24. (New) A computer implemented method as set forth in claim 21 wherein said return code is a response to a command to change said setting.

25. (New) A computer program product for managing a change to a setting of a computer program of a computer system, said computer program product comprising:

a computer readable media;

first program instructions to automatically attempt to change a setting of a computer program; and

if said setting of said computer program is successfully changed, said computer program writing a predetermined return code to a log file,

if said setting of said computer program is not successfully changed, said computer program not writing said return code to said log file, and

second program instructions, responsive to said first program instructions automatically attempting to change said setting of said computer program, to automatically search a log file for said return code indicative of a successful change to said setting; and

third program instructions responsive to said log file containing said return code, to automatically send a notification that said setting of said computer program was successfully changed, and responsive to said log file not containing said return code, to automatically send a notification that said setting of said computer program was not successfully changed; and wherein

said first, second and third program instructions are recorded on said media.

26. (New) A computer program product as set forth in claim 25 wherein said setting is a number of messages that can reside on a queue used by said computer program.

27. (New) A computer program product as set forth in claim 25 wherein said third program instructions send to an administrator said notification indicating whether said setting of said computer program was successfully changed.

28. (New) A computer implemented method as set forth in claim 25 wherein said return code is a response to a command to change said setting.

29. (New) A computer program product for managing a change to a permission file in a computer system, said permission file indicating which User IDs have access to which other files, said computer program product comprising:

a computer readable media;

first program instructions to automatically attempt to change a permission file, said permission file indicating which User IDs have access to which other files, and

second program instructions, responsive to the attempt to change said permission file, to automatically query an exit status code corresponding to said attempt to change said permission file, to determine whether said attempt to change said permission file was successful, and automatically send a notification indicating whether said attempt to change said permission file was successful; and wherein

said first and second program instructions are recorded on said computer readable media.

30. (New) A computer program product as set forth in claim 29 wherein said permission file is part of an operating system.

31. (New) A computer program product as set forth in claim 29 wherein said second program instructions send to an administrator said notification indicating whether said attempt to change said permission file was successful.